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section of the camp after disinfection and quarantine, beginning from the date of verification.

Suakim is situated on the Red Sea and is the starting point of caravan travel for Berber, Kassala, and Khartoum.

Pilgrimage of 1908-9 declared plague infected.

The sanitary, maritime, and quarantine council of Egypt at its session of January 12 declared the present pilgrimage to the Hedjaz to be plague infected and resolved to apply to it the plague regulations. Pilgrims returning to Egypt by way of Syria shall undergo quarantine at Tor. Vessels bringing to Egyptian ports any considerable number of these pilgrims will be refused admission.

GERMANY.

Report from Berlin—Status of cholera in Russia.

The following is received from Consul-General Thackara, under date of February 20:

During the period from January 24 to 30 there were registered in the city of St. Petersburg 193 cases of cholera, with 52 deaths, and in other places in the government district of Petersburg 1 new case and 4 deaths; in the Don region 7 cases (4 deaths), making a total of 201 cases and 60 deaths.

According to a supplementary official report the total number of cases in the previous week amounted to 304, with 129 deaths.

Cholera spreading in St. Petersburg.

Consul-General Thackara further reports, February 15:

According to a press telegram dated February 12, the number of cholera cases continues to increase. To-day there were 43 fresh cases. At St. George's Hospital there are 15 new cases, and there are 2 cases at the Constantin Military School. A special cholera council has been convoked.

HAWAII.

Reports from Honolulu—Examination of rats at Honolulu for plague infection—Plague infection in rats from Hilo.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Currie, plague laboratory, reports, March 1, through Temporary Chief Quarantine Officer Moore:

HONOLULU.

Week ended February 20.

Total rats taken	634
Trapped	603
Found dead	0
Shot from trees	31
Classification of rats trapped:	
<i>Mus alexandrinus</i>	107
<i>Mus musculus</i>	299
<i>Mus norvegicus</i>	71
<i>Mus rattus</i>	126

Classification of rats shot from trees:

Mus alexandrinus	15
Mus rattus	10
Average number of traps set daily	1, 544
Poisons placed (barium carbonate)	225
Rats from Hilo referred to this laboratory for bacteriological diagnosis	0
Rats from Hilo still under investigation	3
Rats from Hilo proved to be plague infected during week	0

Week ended February 27.

Total rats taken	374
Trapped	470
Found dead	0
Examined bacteriologically	366
Plague infected	0
Classification of rats trapped:	
Mus alexandrinus	62
Mus musculus	277
Mus norvegicus	59
Mus rattus	72
Average number traps set daily	1, 556
Rats from Hilo referred to this laboratory for bacteriological diagnosis	0
Rats from Hilo still under investigation	0
Rats from Hilo proved to be plague infected during week	a3

HILO.

Week ended February 13.

Total rats taken	228
Trapped	218
Found dead	10
Examined by agent of board of health	225
Classification of rats:	
Mus alexandrinus	20
Mus musculus	28
Mus norvegicus	83
Mus rattus	97

Week ended February 20.

Total rats taken	154
Trapped	148
Found dead	6
Examined by agent of board of health	150
Classification of rats:	
Mus alexandrinus	8
Mus musculus	36
Mus norvegicus	38
Mus rattus	72

INDIA.

Report from Calcutta—Transactions of service—Cholera, plague, and smallpox—Plague in India and Bengal.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Eakins reports, February 18:

During the week ended February 13, a bill of health was issued to the steamship *Marienfels*, bound for Boston and New York with a total crew of 63, and to the steamship *Clan MacIver*, bound for Boston and New York with a total crew of 56. The usual precautions were taken,

^aLast 3 plague rats show *B. pestis* of low virulence. Last rat previously reported to be plague infected was found, on Oahu (Aiea plantation), August 22, 1907; on Hawaii (Hilo), February 3, 1909.